

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL

Membership Meeting Minutes

Feb. 13, 2016; 8:30 p.m.

Animal Inn, Lake Elmo, MN



Officers present:

Peggy Simerson, President

Eileen Varhalla, Vice President

Diane Blasius-Brown, Treasurer

Officers absent:

Sarah Falk, Secretary

Board Members present:

Rhonda Meath (one year remaining)

Ann Jeddelloh (one year remaining)

Board Members absent:

Denise Gilbertson (two years remaining)

Peggy Simerson called the February Membership Meeting to order at 8:30 p.m.

Eileen Varhalla moved to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes as disseminated via email.

Diane Blasius-Brown seconded. Motion carried.

President's Report (Peggy Simerson):

- Great Banquet! Thanks to Rhonda Meath and Ann Jeddelloh for all of their hard work! Rhonda has secured a date for next year's banquet – mark your calendars for Jan. 21, 2017 at the Lake Elmo Inn Event Center.
- Elections: Congrats to the 2016 Board!
- Planning ongoing for 2016 Season- so we are looking for Volunteers always!
- Putting together a calendar of 2016 Events – stay tuned.
- Wrapping up Budget and Finance information and reporting – proposal for Training fee increases at the March meeting.
- Audit time is approaching. Diane will gather the same people as last year for the audit meeting and get it scheduled before the march meeting.
- Westminster is Monday & Tuesday Feb. 15-16. Good luck to Rumor!!
- Supported Entry with the Lake Minnetonka KC- ribbon details and supported large ring size for GSDs, ribbon for High in Trial GSD and Conformation Winners/BOB .
- Reminder... any titles your dog receives should be forwarded to Pam Magadance. She will collect and forward to GSDCA for the Regional Challenge.
- Next Ron Halling Workshop Feb. 20, then March 19. Need Spring Dates. None inside during summer because it's too hot and low attendance.

Vice President's Report (Eileen Varhalla):

- Faerieland Rescue to hold a fundraiser March 19 at 56 Brewing in North Minneapolis. A Silent Auction will held. Proceeds of sales during the event to go to the rescue (event is posted to Faerieland's Facebook page and has been shared on the Club's Facebook page).

Secretary's Report (Sarah Falk):

- No report (absent).

Treasurer's Report (Diane Blasius Brown):

- Diane distributed a detailed Income and expenditures report. Summary:
 - "Final" check for \$504 received from parent club for 2015 Futurity; no math was included on calculation to report to the membership
 - Business Checking: Beginning Balance \$21,443.56; Ending Balance \$24,923.61
 - Credit Cards: Beginning Balance \$1,300.24; Ending Balance \$1,378.23
 - Savings: Beginning Balance \$10,859.90; Ending Balance \$1,0860.36
 - Total Combined Accounts as of Jan. 31, 2016 is \$37,162.20

Committee Reports:**Membership (Cindy Muehlbauer)**

- No report (absent).

Shep - O - Gram (Sue Smith)

- Contact Sue Smith with ideas for articles or photos!

Budget and Finance Committee (Mike Metz and Diane Blasius-Brown)

- At the March Membership meeting, the committee will present its Training Classes Fee increase proposal and will need a Membership vote

Agility Trial

- April 1-3 at On The Run in Ham Lake— the premium is out.

Herding

- Creating proposal for Herding Fun Day. Details and date at the March meeting.
- Herding trial Dates are Sept. 24-25

Website (Bobby Moore)

- No report (absent).

2016 Specialty Show (Verna Kubik)

- Ad is in Futurity catalog
- Volunteer Needs: Chief Grounds Chair and Chief Steward for Obedience & Rally
- Premium will go out April 1. Discussion of potential to allow credit cards for entries...it was decided that needed a separate meeting to work out details and feasibility
- Verna needs all Premium info by March 20

Facebook (Sarah Falk, Mike Metz)

- No report (absent).

Upcoming Club Events: Mark Your Calendars!

- March 19: [Socialization and Obedience Workshop with Ron Halling](#) (Animal Inn, Lake Elmo, MN)
- April 1- 3: GSDCMSP Agility Trial (On the Run, Ham Lake MN)

Verna Kubik moved to adjourn the meeting. Jinny Bailey seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.
Minutes submitted by Ann Jeddeloh and Diane Blasius-Brown (THANK YOU LADIES).

Attendees:

Rhonda Meath
Verna Kubik
Julie Swinland
Jennifer Hesselink

Peggy Simerson
Diane Blasius-Brown
Mary Lee
Chris Klein

Eileen Varhalla
Virginia Bailey
Ann Jeddeloh